

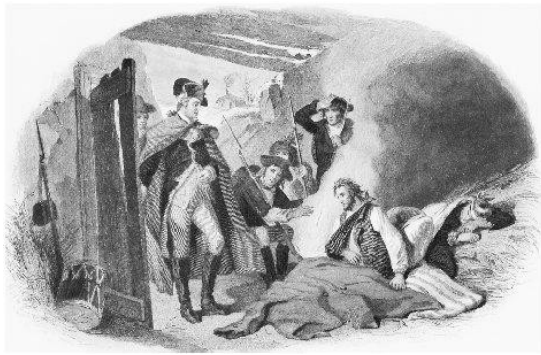
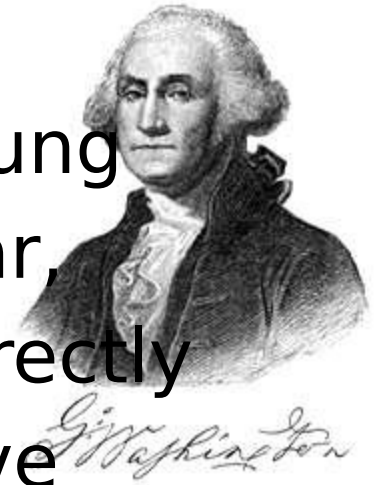


***2015 Ft. Drum
Retiree
Appreciation Day***

Mr. Mark E. Overberg
Deputy Chief, Army Retirement Services
23 September 2015

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“The willingness with which our young people are likely to serve in any war, no matter how justified, shall be directly proportional as to how they perceive veterans of earlier wars were treated and appreciated by this country.”



George Washington 1781



Soldier Life Cycle

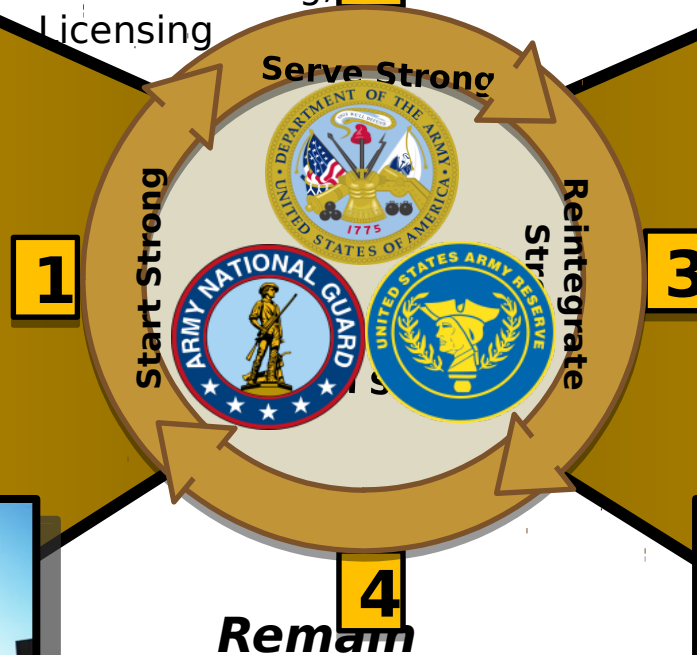


Start Strong

- Recruit Top 29%
- HS Diploma / College
- PaYS Partner (Partnerships for Youth Success)
- Initial Entry Training (IET)
- Army Values and Warrior Ethos



- ## Serve Strong
- Technical and Leadership experience
 - PME supports continued development
 - ACT / COOL / J
 - Credentialing, 2ifications and Licensing



Re-integrate Strong

- SFL-Transition Assistance Program (TAP)
- Retirement Services
- National Guard / Reserve
- Army Network / Mentors
- Community Action



Remain Strong

- Community Reception
- National Guard / Reserve
- VSO / MSO
- Retired Soldiers /

veterans



Army Retirement Services

An Army Program
Since 1955

**Retirement is a process,
not an event!**

**32,210 Soldiers
retired in FY14**

**2015
Population
Served**

<u>Active Army</u>	<u>ARNG</u>	<u>USAR</u>	<u>Retired_ Soldiers</u>	<u>Surviving Spouses</u>	<u>Total</u>
491,177	349,695	198,666	944,793	249,765	2.23M

Pre-Retirement Policy

- 117 Retirement Services Officers
- Career Status Bonus Counseling
- Pre-Retirement Counseling
- SBP/RCSBP Counseling
- MyArmyBenefits website
- Soldier for Life website

Post-Retirement Policy

- Lifetime benefits advice & support
- Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) assistance
- *Army Echoes* Newsletter & Blog
- CSA & Installation Retired Soldier Councils
- Retiree Appreciation Days

AR 600-8-7 - "Retirement Services Program"

[http](http://www.army.mil/retirement)



CSA Retired Soldier Council's Recommendations to the CSA

<http://>



– More info at: www.itcfeds.com or 1-800-582-3337

Did You Know About?

- Retirees are eligible
- Want to Help? www.aerhq.org or 1-866-878-6378 to donate or start an allotment from retired pay.

<https://myaccess.dmdc.osd.mil>



MyArmyBenefits

14 pages of
NY state benefits!

• Benefit Library

- Federal Fact Sheets
- State and Territory Benefits Fact Sheets

• Benefit Calculators

- Retirement
- Survivor Benefits
- Deployment Calculator

• Benefits Help Desk Operations

• Wounded Warrior Special Modul

- Wounded Warrior / DRE Calculator
- Sustaining Income Calculator

• Casualty Operations Special Module

<http://myarmybenefits.usarmy.ba> Survivor Benefits Report

Links directly to DEERS information
through CAC or DS Logon.



Soldier for Life Branding



Soldier for Life
logo and window
sticker



TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Start Strong • Serve Strong • Reintegrate Strong • Remain Strong



US Army
Lapel Button



US Army
Retired
Lapel
Button




US Army Retired ID Badge




The Army Retirement Services Website

<http://soldierforlife.army.mil/retirement>









**Army Retirement Services Office**

SOLDIER FOR LIFE
Once a Soldier, Always a Soldier ... A Soldier for Life!

- Retired Soldiers - Home
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- Army Echoes Blog
- Preparing to Retire
- After Retiring
- Survivor Benefit Plan
- Career Status Bonus
- Retirement Services Officers
- RC Retirement Services
- Survivor Assistance
- CSA Retired Soldier Council
- Former Spouse Information
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Calculators
- Active Officer Retirement
- Active Enlisted Retirement
- RSO - Mission
- Helpful External Links
- Contact Us





Chinooks and Humvees




Latest Announcements


- The Army Retirement Services Program celebrates its 60th Anniversary on Nov. 14, 2015! Look here for future announcements.
- September is [National Preparedness Month \(NPM\)](#). Prepare for emergencies like tornadoes, hurricanes, wild fires, active shooters, or terrorist attacks.

Retiree Appreciation Days

Today   **Saturday, September 19**




Ft. Belvoir, VA
Saturday, September 19
Fort Sill, OK
Fort Campbell, KY
Schofield Brks, Hawaii
Selfridge, MI
Wednesday, September 23
Fort Drum, NY
Thursday, September 24
Redstone Arsenal, AL

Events shown in time zone: Eastern Time 



[Click here to buy the new U.S. Army Retired Lapel Button](#)

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Army Echoes



- **Official Army publication for Retired Soldiers and surviving spouse**
- **Retired Soldiers and SBP annuitants with myPay accounts receive Army Echoes electronically at their email addresses in myPay**
- **No myPay account? We'll mail to the address on file at HRC (Gray Area Soldiers) or DFAS**
- **iPhone, iPad, Android phone apps**
- **Subscribe to the Army Echoes Blog to receive frequent news between editions at <http://soldierforlife.army.mil/retirement/blog>**



Happy Birthday Retirement Services Program!



Army Chief of Staff GEN Maxwell Taylor created the Army Retirement Services Program on 14 NOV 1955.





- **The federal budget**
- **Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission proposals**
- **Communicating with the retired community**
- **Gray Area Soldiers not updating HRC**



What You Can Still Do for the Army

- **Stay engaged with the Army**
- **Tell your Army story**
- **Mentor a Vet or a retiring Soldier**
- **Hire a Vet or refer one for a job opening you know of**
- **Encourage young people to join the Army**
- **Volunteer on post or with a Veterans Service Organization or Military Service Organization**
- **Vote & tell your Congressman to support the military**



For more information

Army

<http://soldierforlife.army.mil/retirement>

Air Force

<http://www.retirees.af.mil/>

Navy

[http://
www.public.navy.mil/bupers-npc/support/retired_activities/Pages/default
.aspx](http://www.public.navy.mil/bupers-npc/support/retired_activities/Pages/default.aspx)

Marine Corps

https://www.manpower.usmc.mil/portal/page/portal/M_RA_HOME/MM/SR

Coast Guard

<http://www.uscg.mil/ppc/ras/>



Thank you for your service!

